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In response to a telephone call initiated by the Examiner, please consider the following remarks.

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REMARKS

Applicant received a voice mail from the Examiner on June 2, 2004 indicating that the present application would be deemed to be allowable if it were terminally disclaimed to U.S. Patent Nos. 6,704,711 and 6,687,740. This was confirmed in a brief telephone conference between the Examiner and the Undersigned on June 4, 2004, wherein the Examiner indicated that the terminal disclaimer could be faxed to him for entry. While Applicant traverses the Examiner's requirement for a terminal disclaimer, Applicant nonetheless, and solely in order to expedite the issuance of the present application without any admission or estoppel with respect to the correctness of the Examiner's requirement, Applicant provides herewith with the enclosed terminal disclaimer.

As known by the Examiner, the present application is one of a number of related applications owned by a common assignee. Additional related applications hereby expressly brought to the attention of the Examiner include USSN 09/400,708; USSN 09/400,711, 09/400,712; USSN 09/401,026 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,360,221); USSN 09/997,322; USSN 09/493,468; and USSN 09/721,552. The Examiner is requested to review these related applications with respect to this present application prior to sending the present application to issue.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at 650-333-0180.

Respectfully submitted,

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